



Texas Conference of Clubs  
Spring Meeting  
April 15, 2017 — 1:00 PM

Chairman Ron Denning called the meeting to order at 1:01 PM at Buzzards' Peak land site. The Chairman asked all present to observe a moment of silence to remember our ill and departed friends and loved ones.

Austin Gay Nudists	Christopher Tuarno
Bound by Desire	J
Chain of Command	Jim S.]
Cowtown Leathermen	Ron Denning
Dallas MC	Don Riggs
Discipline Corps	Leo Gilbert
Firedancers Houston	Absent
Houston Bears	Absent
Leathermens Guild	Lobo
Lone Star Leathermen	Jim Newsome
National Leather Association – Dallas	Leo Gilbert
National Leather Association – Houston	Absent
TCC Independents (A)	Russell Harris
TCC Independents (B)	Ken Stewart
Touch of Leather	Larry Femrich
Trinity River Bears	Michael Kaye

**Recognition of Visitors**

No visitors

**Chairman's Report**

Ron thanked those who did all the work last month and this month. Place looks fantastic.

Our current Mr. LoneStar has been actively out and about and doing fund-raisers. Thank you Mr. LoneStar. Ron also thanked the other LoneStar title holders who have held fund raisers for TCC.

In an effort to speed up the administrative processes the board will begin holding month board meetings.

The vice chairman has resigned, leaving that position vacant.

## **Secretary's Report**

Michael Kaye moved to accept the October 22, 2016 minutes. The motion was seconded by Don Riggs. The minutes were approved.

## **Membership Application**

We received an application for independent membership from Keith Idell. We will vote on his application at the July meeting.

*Note: we were expecting Justin Knowlton at the meeting to submit an application for the DFW Kennel Club. Justin was held up in unexpected traffic on I-35 and arrived just as we adjourned. I am including information on their application*

We received an application for club membership from the DFW Kennel Club of Dallas. They have gatherings that involve puppy play, and are planning an event at TCC in the fall. We will vote on their application at the July meeting.

## **Treasurer's Report**

A written copy of the [Treasurer's Report](#) is available on the web. Make sure to give receipts for any in kind donations to the Facilities Coordinator so we can get it on the books.

We are going to test a system on the TCC site that will enable us to initially accept credit card payments for donations. In order to do this, we will have a nominal processing fee for any credit card transactions.

## **Committee—Coordinator Reports**

### **Land Management Report**

A written [land management report](#) is available on the web.

The compressor to the walk-in has died; there is a short circuit. The cost to replace the compress is \$3,800. PWA has authorized us to switch their \$2,000 donation for doors.

Jim Newsome made a motion for TCC to cover the additional cost of getting the compressor fixed. Lobo seconded the motion. The motion was approved.

Keith said that it will take three days to complete the installation from the time he orders it.

Compound fence – to replace the fence in the compound area will cost \$800. Keith mentioned that we need donations.

Russell Harris made a motion to approve construction of the fence when we receive half the money through donations. Don Riggs seconded the motion. The motion was approved. Five approved, four disapproved, two abstained.

Water line under roadway to the meter needs more road base on top to prevent damage for a cost of approximately \$850.

Lobo made a motion to spend \$850 from general fund for the road repair. Michael Kaye seconded the motion. The motion was approved

Armando will donate \$100. Stan and Theda will donate 50. Elmer King will donate \$100. Lobo will donate \$200, George Richaud will donate \$400. The cost of the project will be covered by donations.

### ***Ratsenol Report***

Ratsenol - David presented the menu for the run, and also showed the medallions and t-shirts that will be available. Jim Newsome will decorate the stage. Need volunteers for other projects; please contact David. Anyone who was to donate labor or money toward Ratsenol contact David. Pixels to Vectors is doing the medallions and t-shirts

### ***Wi-Fi***

We are on satellite at the lowest tier, 10 gb data for \$70 a month for that service. Satellite service redid packages and we are switching to 50 gb for \$100. Should give us better service throughout month.

### **Old Business**

#### ***Membership Applications***

The Independent Membership application for Ryan Fyffe received unanimous approval.

The Club Membership application for Leather Bear Productions received unanimous approval.

## ***Casual Camper Document***

The Casual Camper document revision, along with a revision to the Long Term Site Policy, and the Land Use Policy, will be reviewed by the Board at the May board meeting, and then sent to the delegates of record for their review and comments.

## **New Business**

Stan Morris talked about a recent fire pit incident during a period of high wind when a fire with burning embers was left unattended. Jim S said it was an oversight by land management and apologized. We will make sure dousing the fire pit is on all check lists for closing down after a weekend or event.

## ***Nominations***

Chairman - The current incumbent is Ron Denning.

Michael Kaye nominated David Barnhardt, seconded by Jim Newsome.  
Dale nominated Ron Denning, seconded by Lobo seconded.  
Jim S moved to closed nominations for Chairman, Dale Arndt seconded the motion. The motion was approved.

Secretary – The current incumbent is Bob Whittaker.

Michael Kaye nominated Bob Whittaker. The nomination was seconded by Don Riggs. Lobo made a motion to closed nominations for Secretary. Jim Newsome seconded the motion. The motion was approved.

## **Lane Management – Two Year Position**

The current incumbent is Jim S.

Lobo nominated Jim S. Don Riggs seconded the nomination.  
Earl Barr nominated Ryan Fyffe Jim Newsome seconded the nomination.  
Lobo moved to close the nominations for the two-year land management position. Jim S. seconded the motion. The motion was approved.

## **One Year Land Management Position**

The current incumbent is Tom Barrett.

Jim S. nominated Ryan Fyffe. Lobo seconded the nomination.  
Dale nominated Ken Stewart. Russell Harris seconded the nomination  
Jim Newsome made a motion to closed nominations for the one year land management position. Lobo seconded the motion. The motion was approved.

### One Year Land Management Position

The current incumbent is Earl Barr.

Leo Gilbert nominated Earl Barr. Jim Newsome seconded the nomination  
Earl Barr nominated Ryan Fyffe. Jim Newsome seconded the nomination.  
Jim S. nominated Ken Stewart. Jim Newsome seconded the nomination  
Leo made motion to close the nominations for the position of the one year land management position. Russell Harris seconded the motion. The motion was approved.

### Vice Chairman

To fill unexpired term of position

Stan Morris nominated Elmer King. Seconded by Lobo.  
Leo Gilbert nominated Russell Harris. Seconded by Michael Kaye.  
Earl Barr nominated Ken Stewart. Seconded by Jim S.  
Don Riggs moved that nominations for the position of Vice Chairmen be closed. Seconded by Michael Kaye. The motion was approved.

### Announcements

Ken Stewart mentioned the independents doing conservations areas, cleaned hillside up to memorial deck. Next projects around kitchen and TCC trailers. Money coming from members.

Stan mentioned the street signs, donated by pixels to vectors.

Leatherbear Productions is having contest during Austin Pride

Elmer mentioned two benches donated by Elmer and Sebastian.

Leo, April 23, Club Reflection, LVL PWA benefit show and June 9 at Eagle, Houston, Neon Boots, May 7.

## **Adjournment**

Lobo made a motion to adjourn, seconded by everyone. The meeting was adjourned at 2:21 PM